THE DEBATE LASTED TWO HOURS.

Bill Finally Passed By and Made the Speclal Order for 1 ebrus. y 15th-Two Sessions of the House Meid and Delegates Discuss the Oyster Question-

For two hours the Senators debated the

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Proceedings of the Sepate.

inquor and in inver of the our to require the teaching of hygiene, etc., in the pub-lic schools were presented. Mr. Fairiax, from the Committee on Finance, reported with an amendment the bill providing for building an addition to the penkentlary. The amendment places a limit upon the money to be expended. It provides that in addition to the labor stitute the fund out of which the improve-

of the electoral board, on the morning of the electoral board, on the morning of the election the schied packages containing the tickets are broken and the ballots carefully counted, tere is the way the amendment reads: "And the three unstamped ballots contained in said packages, the second of the packages and the packages, roots day the judges." age shall be securely post d by the judges of election in three conspicuous places without the polling place, where they shall be open to the inspection of the voters, and it shall be the duty of the judges to heavily are destruction, to moved or defacing of said ballots as long the realist are open. Any person who

was passed.

HOW WARRANTS ARE TO BE ISSUED
Mesers. Sands and Munford had amendments added to Senate bills No. 258.

amending the code in relation to scarch
warrants, and 259, to amend the code in
relation to the arrest of persons charged
with crime. These measures, of which Mr Meliwaine was the patron, in their origi-nal form took away from all justices of the peace in the cities the right to issue warrants in criminal cases and search warrants and imposed that duty on the warrants and imposed that dary on the police justice without extra compensation. The amendments authorize the judge of the Hustings Court of Richmond to designate 6 of the justices of the peace who shall be empowered to issue warrants for the arrest of persons charged with criminal offences and to issue search warrants.

would make their power felt at the ballot box.

Mr. Keezell said he recognized the fact that he was a layman in the Senate and the lawyers would not listen to him, but he desired to place himself on record as being willing to begin at the top and cut oown the big salaries.

Mr. Flanagan said, while his sympathies were with those who desired to save this judicial circuit, he felt it to be his duty to the people of Virginia to vote to abolish this circuit. He said he would sound a note of warning to the majority party that it was about to commit a blunder like that when it abolished the fees of commonwealth's witnesses in criminal cases tried by justices of the peace.

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COL CUNNINGHAM HONORED. COL. CUNNINGHAM HONORED.
On motion of Mr. Barksdale, the privileges of the floor were extended to Col.
John S. Cunningham, a distinguished citizen of North Carolina, a member of the
Legislature of that State, and the Democratic nomines for the speakership of the
lower branch of that Legislature at the
last meeting of that body. Col. Cunningham is spoken of all over North Carolina
for the Democratic nomination for Governor.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

At 1:50 o'clock the Withers' bill, providing for taking the sense of the votes on the question of calling a constitutional convention, came up as the special order Mr. Withers took the floor and made short, but splendid address in suppor of the measure. He said he did not pose as a reformer. The term "reformer" was distasteful to him. The "reformer" generally wanted to reform everything and everybody but himself and often he was more in need of reform than any one close.

While he was not a reformer Mr. Withers said he did realize that some organic changes were necessary in order tha Virginia might have an economical government.

The speaker went on to argue that there could be no great saving of ex-pense by legislative enactment. It must come through a revision of the constitu-

Mr. McCune followed and after paying a tribute to the Senator from Danville whom he termed the "ablest man upor his feet in the Senate." opposed the bill.

MR. WICKHAM'S VIEWS.

Mr. Wickham, after moving that the further consideration of the bill be postponed and the measure be made the special and continuing order for February 20th, stated that he desired to make a few remarks in reply to Mr. Withers before the motion was voted on. The Senator reminded his colleagues that the Legislature was elected on a pledge to retrench and to reform. To pass the bill in question would be to tell the people of Virginia that the Legislature was unable to do what it was sent to de. There was still a month more for legislative work, and he hoped time would be given the Ceneral Assembly to carry out its pledge in the people before taking the first step isoling to calling a constitutional constitutional the ursed the Senate to at least safe the effort to retrench and reform

CRISIS IS TWO YEARS OFF.

Mr. Wickham took a hopeful view of the si tuation and said he was convinced that the Legislature was able to do so, and would save sufficient money when it came to making up the appropriation bill, to tide the State over the financial difficulty that will soon have to be met. He argued that the crisis was not now at and, but would come in 1900, when the result of the new assessment would be made known. He was confident there would have to be an extra session of the General Assembly in the fall of 1900 to legislate to meet the conditions that will then confront the people of this State.

Continuing his remarks, Mr. Wickham said if it were decided to submit the question of culling a convention to the voters next Now ember, there would be powerful combitations inside and outside the Democratic party arrayed against the convention. Some searching questions would be asked. The people would want to know, among other things, what it was proposed to do about the schools. The Democratic party was now in foll possession of the L. gislature and could proceed to make i be needed reforms and carry out the pre misses made to the people.

Mr. Blakey called attention to the fact that February 2011 i was Shrove Sunday.

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Mr. Munford said he did not believe as did Mr. Wickham that to pass this bill would be to proclair 1 to the people of Virginia that the Legis lature was unable to perform the work it was sent here to do, nor did he agree with Mr. Withers that the Legislature was i mable to accomplish anything in the direct jon of retrenchment and reform. He urge d that all expenses that it is possible to cut down be reduced, and also give to the people an opportunity to say wheth er or not they desire a convention. He doubted if next November, when Congi essmen are to be elected, would be a good time at which to submit the question, but, then, the date might be changed.

Mr. Barksdale supporte 2 Mr. Wickham's motion to pass by. He s tid he voted and worked for the constitut onal convention last spring and was still in favor of a convention, but he was willing to wait awhile in order to give the Legislature a chance to retrench and reform.

Mr. Blakey spoke in favor of postponing action.

MR. WITHERS' R SPLY.

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Mr. Withers said he had worked faithfully and energetically for reform measures. The Senators from Halifax and Brunswick could testify to the fact that he had given much time an I labor to the work of an important committee. Mr. Withers denied that he desired to kill any reform measures.

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The Senator replying to the intimation that the constitutional convention was a thing that would work an injury to the poorer classes of people, ele quently proclaimed his sympathies with those who had to work for their living. He said the constitutional convention mo vement was one that should receive the support of all those who had to earn their own living. Mr. Withers opposed the me tion to pass by, saying it was simply a motement that would kill the measure.

In conclusion, Mr. Withers appealed to the Senate to pass the bill or vote it down and kill it by postpon ament. He warned the Senators that the constitutional question, likes Banquo's ghost, would not down. It would return to haunt the Senators until justly seatiled.

Mr. Flanagara said he was opposed to a constitutional convention, but was in favor of acting upon the bill at once and not postponing action.

MAY CHANGE HIS MIND.

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Mr. Morris said he fought the bill two years ago, believing the Legislature itself could bring about all needed reform. But he was beginning to think that perhaps Senator Withers might be right. It did begin to look as though the Legislature would not cut down ex peuses. But he was not ready as yet to vote for the bill, and urged that it be passed by until the 15th, in order to give the Legislature further time in which to consider reform

casures.
Mr. McIlwaine eloquently pleaded with
the Senate not to postpone action on the
lll. He announced that he was heartly
t sympathy with the proposition to call
convention, with the sentiments uttered

by Mr. Withers.

Mr. Wickham started out to close the decate in favor of postprement, but before he had concluded, it developed that the bill was not passed at the last session until February 2th, and later was concurred in by the House.

Mr. Mellwaine at this point withdrew his objection to postponement and the bill was made the special and continuing order for 1 P. M. February 15th.

The Senate adjourned at 4 P. M.

HOUSE BILLS PASSED.

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To define and regulate fraternal orders,

etc.

Por the protection of assignees, etc.

To define and prescribe the effect of deeds conveying property sold under deed

To empower trustees of Virginia Fe-male Institute to issue bonds. To provide a new charter for town of Onancock.
To authorize Bethel Methodist Episcopal

Church to sell its property.

To amend charter of Staunton Acad-

To amend charter of Dumb and Blind Institute.
To define criminal jurisdiction of county of Frederick and city of Winchester.
To authorize the town of Onancock to borrow money.
To amend charter of town of Saxia.
To amend charter of town of Saxifolk.
To provide for working roads in Nangemond county.

SENATE BILLS PASSED.

No. 257.-To amend section 2533 of the ode in reference to allowances in crim-Tode in reference of the cases.

No. 258.—To amend sections 2051 and 2852 of the Code in relation to search wars and 260.

rants.

No. 259.—To amend sections 2555 and 2555 of the Code in relation to process of persons charged with crime.

No. 351.—For the removal of the disabilities, of Samuel C. Harper.

No. 299.—For the relief of Thomas A. Chapman.

No. 239.—For the relief of 4 nomas as Chapman.

To amend act in relation to the Virginia Normal and Collegiate Institute.

To amend section 1466 of Code in relation to school trustees.

To amend act incorporating the Saltville and Mendota Railroad Company.

The House amendment to Senate bill No. 19, to make it unlawful for any lawyer, etc., residing in State to practice under license from any other State, was agreed to.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

A Number of Bills Discussed During Two Busy Sessions Yesterday.

Rev. W. V. Tudor, paster of Centenary hurch, again offered prayer in the louse, after the session had been opened

y Speaker Ryan.

Another invitation was received from the Memorial Literary Society through Mrs. N. V. Randolph, asking the memoers to visit the Confederate Musuem. The letter stated distinctly that the ladies did not expect to ask the State for appropriation.

received the following information from the clerk of the county court of High

Nervous Weak Tired They are despondent and gloomy, canno sleep, have no appetite, no energy, no ambition. Hood's Sarsaparilla soon bring: help to such people. It gives them pure rich blood, cures nervousness, creates an appetite, tones and strengthens the

stomach and imparts new life and increased vigor to all the organs of the body. Hood's Sarsa-parilla Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1.

TALK ABOUT A CONVENTION.

It he people and forcing them to order a constitutional convention.

Mr. Wickham contenues that Mr. Withers had read incorrectly the lessons of the vide last May on the question of calling a constitutional convention. As he understood in the constitution of constitution of calling a convention. As he understood in the constitution of them abolishes the Board on the Chesapaid not desire a convention, but wanted a Legislature that could prepare proper amendments to the constitution and submit them to the people for approval or rejection. them abolishes the Board on the Chesapeake and its Tributaries, while another amendment provides that the Board of Fisheries shall consist of two persons appointed by the Governor who with the Governor. Treasurer and Auditor of Public Accounts shall form the Board of Fisheries instead of the five persons which are to be appointed by the Governor under the provisions of the bill. A third amendment cuts down the expenses of the board from \$4,000 to \$2,500, which inter amount is to be taken from the appropriation made annually from the appropriation for the protection of the oyster navy.

Mr. Diggs then changed the amount from \$2,500 to \$2,000.

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Mr. Bland, of Portsmouth, opposed the last amendment made by Mr. Diggs and all three amendments were defeated in

A COMPROMISE MEASURE.

Mr. Parks, of Page, advocated the passage of the bill with the amendments offered by the Committee on Chesapeake and its Tributaries. He pointed out, it was a compromise measure which had been agreed upon by that committee and the constitutional bivaive committee.

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Mr. Diggs said he felt convinced that the House was determined to pass the bill, but before this was done, he desired to enter his protest against the bill. It provided for the appointment of officers who were to see that other State officers did their duty. It might be just as well to appoint a board to supervise the action of the General Assembly, because he did not think the latter did its duty. Innumber of officials, it was the intention be called "Watkins' Wonderful Discoy-

When the hour of one o clock arrived, e Speaker had to suspend and the spe-al order was called, which was House III No. 245, reported from the special committee on retrenchment and reform, educing the fees of Jallors.

ws: Twenty-five cents each for from en to twenty prisoners, twenty cents ach for from twenty to fifty prisoners and fifteen cents each for over fifty pri-

Mr. Carrington, of Charlotte, offered in amendment that sergeants, sheriffs and their deputies shall attend to the uties at the jail in person or if he se-

ten prisoners; twenty cents each for from ten to lifty prisoners and over lifty pris-

amendment to fix the following rates: Forty cents each for three and less prisoners; twenty-five cents each for rom three to twenty-five prisoners; twen-

Richmond, who happened to have a little money. It was a shame to throw such a thrust at this city that had al-ways responded as Democrats when the State had made any demand upon it.

The amendment was lost. Mr. Stubbs, of Gloucester, pointed out, that if the proposed bill was enacted, it would increase the jail expenses in Virwould increase the jail expenses in Vir-ginia \$108.000 annually. At his suggestion the bill was passed by and similar action

ave companion bills presented by the special Committee on Retrenchment and Reform came up as special order. It relates to the payment of costs and ex-

various sections of the existing over law. The bill was ordered to its encountries of the committee of the countries of the c

While Mr. Pilcher held the floor the esolution agreed to on the preceding APPEDNOON SESSION.

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Justice and he expressed the hope that it would not create any lengthy discussion, inasmuch as it had aiready taken up more time than any other bill in the sessions of the committee. Mr. Anderson then offered a number of amendments to do away with some clerical errors and perfect the bill. The amendments were agreed to with one or two exceptions.

Mr. Campbell, of Amherst, offered an amendment, under which the applicant for purchases of delinquent lands shall pay ten per cent, interest, the same amount as required from the owners of delinquent lands, who desire to redeem the same. Under the bill the applicant shall pay only six per cent.

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Mr. Campbell next offered an amendment providing that a new survey of delinquent lands shall only be declared necessary in the discretion of the court, providing that a map of the property in question has been properly filled. This amendment was agreed to and the bill was then ordered to its engressment and third reading and subsequently passed.

The next bill taken up was Senate bill No. 168, authorizing the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company to construct and operate a branch railroad to the Potomac river and into the city of Washington. The bill was passed without any objection.

BOARD OF FISHERIES AGAIN. BOARD OF FISHERIES AGAIN.

Mr. Pilcher having arrived in the House
Mr. Craig, of Rockbridge moved that
the House bill No. 268 be taken up out of
its order. This was agreed to.
Mr. Craig then offered several amendments perfecting the bill, which were
agreed to.
Mr. Pilcher then stated that before the
adjournment he had misunderstood the
bill and that it did contain the clause
that non-residents should be allowed to
rent cyster grounds for planting purposses.

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Mr. Craig explained that this concession had been made by the Congressional Bivileo Committee under the restriction that cyster grounds in the deep waters in the Chrispeake Bay may be rented out to non-residents after May I, 1828, and in all other waters of Virginia after January I, 1826, upon application and by the consent of the Board of Fisheries.

Captain Parks, of Page, offered as an amendment that this discretionary power be taken away from the Board and that these grounds shall be rented to outsiders by the Board.

of the bill as it had been presented House. He said it was not submity the Committee on the Chesapeake is Tributaries, but by the Congressi Committee of Ten. He spoke of resent poor cyster season, when not the had been made from cysters and auctioneer's flag was staring into one's face, the cyster people not able to pay their taxes.

every one's face, the oyster people not being able to pay their taxes.

THE AMENDMENT CARRIED.

Captain Parks said he had offered his amendment in order to bring the matter aware, before the House, he had taked to members of the old board who had told him that the oyster industry would not prosper unless non-residents were given an opportunity of renting oyster grounds. The provision as it was now would absolutely destroy the amendment of the bill under which non-residents would be permitted to rent oyster grounds because the Board of Fisheries would not grant such a permission, if this power was left discretionary with the Board.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, of Accomac, the pending question was then or-cered, and the amendment offered by Mr. Parks was then adopted by a vote of 25 to 31, which was as follows:

Yeas—Ailen, Bainserman, Berry, Campbell, C. J. Campbell, T. J., Carter, Carrington, Chaplin, Cooke, Darnall, Early, Elswick, Galiaher, Garnett, Gwyn, Hale, Hatcher, Hicks, Jennings, Likon, Lovelard, Williams, Wilson—S.

Nays—Anderson, Bland, C. T., Bland, George C. Booker, Browning, Caldwell, Craig, Diggs, Duke, Embrey, Folkes, Garnett, Matthews, Mann, James, Montague, Murphy, Owen, Powell, Reddy, Saunders, Settle, Snead, Smith, Stubbs, Turpin, Wallace, Walker, S. H.; Walker, A. D.; Wharton, Williams, Winburne—31.

Mr. Diggs, of King William, offered an amendment making the oyster season the substantial of as it is at present, from October 1st to April 1st.

Mr. Stubbs, of Gloucester, thought that the proposed change of the season would be injurious to the oyster industry.

Mr. Walker, of Northumberland, said warm as in August, and there was hurvery little market for oysters in September.

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The House addourned at 6:45 P. M.
PLACED ON THE CALENDAR.
The following bills were introduced, and under suspension of the rules, place on the calendar:
No. 404, by Mr. Stubbs, of Gloucester—To authorize the Board of Supervisor to horrow money and issue bonds to rebuild Gloucester Point Wharf.
No. 405, by the same—To authorize the Board of Supervisors of the equities of Gloucester and Mathews to make a special levy to be known as "The Confedrate Relief Fund."
No. 406, by Mr. Pendleton—To prater Moneolian pheasants in the county of Louisa.
No. 407, by Mr. Garnett, of Essex an.

misa. No. 467, by Mr. Garnett, of Essex an' Addiesex-To allow J. W. Clarkson an' P. Carrett to erect a pier in the Rap

No. 408, by the same—To allow J. M. McCarthy to erect a pier in the Rappa annock river.

No. 400, by Mr. Reddy, of this city to incorporate the Police Benevolent Association of Richmond. Va. The fund to be created by assessment of the memors of the police department.

No. 410, by Mr. Settle, of Rappahannock—To authorize and empower the jounty Court and the Board of Superlsors of Rappahannock county to granther incorporate to the creek to creek a monument to the onfederate dead of said county on the willie source.

public source.
No. 411, by Colonel Blanton, of Buck-insham—Authorizing an election in the county of Buckinsham upon the question of the removal of the court-house of the said county. The bill is introduced by the patron upon the petition signed by numer-

The following House bills were passed:
No. 248.—House bill to amend and reenact section 886 of the Code, relating to
payment of costs and expenses in prosecutions for vagrancy.
No. 122.—House bill to prevent fire insurance companies, associations, or partnerships doing a fire insurance business in
this State, or the agents of said companies, associations, or partnerships doing a fire insurance on propeninsurance companies, associations, or partnerships doing a fire insurance on propenpanies, associations, or partnerships from
entering into combinations to make or
control rates for fire insurance on property in this State, and providing a punishment for violation of this act.
The following Senate bills were passed:
No. 22.—Senate bill to amend and reenact section 686 of the Code of Virginia,
as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, in relation to delinquent lands purchased in the name of
the auditor, and as amended and re-enactsection 686 of the Code of Virginia, as
amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, in relation to delinquent lands purchased in the name of
the auditor.
No. 168.—Senate bill to authorize the
Norfolk and Western Railway Company
to construct and operate a branch railroad to the Potomac river and into the
city of Washington.
No. 271.—Senate bill to amend and reenact an act approved February II, 1865,
entitled an act to amend and re-enact
section 812 of the Code of Virginia, 1884,
in regard to the Superintendent of the
Poor of Lee county so as include Hanover
county.

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED,

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Mary S. Chapman from erroneous assessment.

By Mr. Snead, of Princess Anne: A joint resolution for the relief of planters of Princess Anne county, as to the rent on oyster planting ground.

By Mr. Powell, of Nowport News: For the relief of Frank Smith, of Newport News, Va.

By Mr. Passmore, of Lunenburg—For the relief of R. A. Hood, a Confederate soldler of Lunenburg county.

By Mr. Barley—To regulate the liability of insurance companies and associations in this State in certain cases. The blil is designed to make fire insurance companies more careful in taking risks, and to compel them after accepting premiums on large risks to pay them in full in case of fire or accident.

A lengthy petition from the citizens of the Thirty-seventh senatorial district was presented by Mr. S. W. Matthews, praying for instruction in the public schools as to the physiological effects of the alcoholic liquors.

MORE RETRENCHMENT.

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MORE RETHENCHMENT.

Mr. Parks, of Page, introduced a bill to amend and re-chact section 2530 of the Code of 1887, in relation to the fees of justices in criminal cases. The bill reduces the fee for an arrest in a misdemeanor case from fifty cents to twenty-five cents, and makes a similar reduction in the fee for trying such cases.

Mr. Parker also offered another bill to amend and re-chact section 3531 of the Code, in relation to fees of sheriffs, sergeants, constables, criers and police. The bill provides that the officer making an arrest in a misdemeanor case shall receive the sum of \$1, provided he can make it out of the prisoner in the event of a conviction, or if not, he shall receive out of the treasury forty cents, instead of fifty, as at present. The bill further provides that only three witnesses in misdemeanor cases and but five it felony cases, unless specially requested by the judge, shall be paid out of the treasury, and that in no resided meanor case shall a guard be provided.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citzens and Other Matters.

president of the Union Democratic Club at its meeting Friday night.

Owing to illness in her family Miss Mary Saunders has been forced to recall her in vitations for this evening.

Mr. Jacqulin P. Taylor, of Winston, N. . . is in the city, having been called here by the filness of his mother, Mrs. Cornella S. Taylor.

The remains of Mr. Charles M. Galla ner, whose death occurred Monday night in this city, were taken to Charleston,

Henrico's Board of Supervisors met yes-erday morning and transacted regular monthly business. Bills and pay rolls were ordered to be paid. Mr. John Avery, a well-known news-paper man of New York city, and Mr. C. T. Richardson, of the Washington

Post are registered at Murphy's.

held a reception Monday night at 9 south Morris street. Those present were Mr. Anchell Platt, of Hampton, brother of L. J. Platt: Miss B. Reese, Miss C. Bot-tigheimer, Mrs. J. Webster Hassell, Mrs. Laura Fleragan, Mr. Aaron Platt, Miss

Mr. Ernest McClintock, a leading law-yer of Highland county is in the city and spent some time in the lobby of the Lexington last night. Hon, A. F. With-ow presented him to many of the mem-ers of the Legislature.

The winter series on the subject "Evidences of Christianity" opens at Richmond College to-morrow night at 8:15 o'clock, with a lecture by Irr J. C. Filden, whose theme is "The Plain Christian Versus the Advanced College". Critic." This lecture is open to the public free of charge.

fo Serve Without Pay.

General Assembly from \$350 to \$450 for the pre-tession and from \$550 to \$450 for the pre-tiding officers.

It is understood that a substitute will be offered for this bill under which the numbers of the two Houses shall serve gratuitously. A canvass has been made among the members of the two bodies as to their sentiment on the subject and it is stated that two-thirds of them have alledged themselves to support such a substitute.

Daylight.

Morning brings joy and happiness to the person in health: to the person out of health after a night of restlessness, morning brings only weakness, weariness, pains and depression. The mind is full of gloomy forebodings and there is constant feeling of impending disaster. There are thousands of people who thus needlessly suffer. Look about you, accept the gift of health freely held out to you. Have you ever seen one of Dr. Greene's letters to invalids? They are full of valuable information. Write him describing your symptoms—Dr. Greene, 35 west Fourteenth street, New York city, who is the most successful physician of our time in curing disease. You can consuit him by letter free, and can be treated and cured at your home by his wonderful refnedles. Do not delay a moment longer, but write now.

ous citizens of the county in order to give all residents an opportunity to vote on the matter. No. 412. by Mr. Lovelace, of Halifax—To compensate school trustees other than clerks of district school boards in Halifax county. THE SAKS STORES.

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THE "CHANNEL QUEEN" TOTALLY WRECKED OFF GUERNSEY.

Had Sixty-Five Persons on Board-Gallant Rescues By Fishermen in the Face of Tremendous Odds.

that the all Steamer "Channel Queen" has been totally wrecked off the Island The captain has been saved, but thirty

PLYMOUTH, Feb. 1.-It is reported

persons are supposed to have been lost. OWNERS STATEMENT. Later in the day the owners of the "Channel Queen" announced that out of sixty-live persons on hoard of her when

reversed when the rocks were seen, but it was then too late.

The first boat load reached land and

The first boat for the fishermen who made gallant rescues, although the heavy sea prevented their boat freem approaching the wreck. The survivors had to be dragged by ropes through the sea to the rescuing boats. The captain was the last

The last report is that twenty-two were frowned. The chief engineer, three stokers and eighteen passengers, including fourteen onion sellers, were drowned in their cabins when the sea swamped th

even their clothing.
Three of the persons reported drowned

have since been found among the rescued reducing the total lost to nineteen.

A CALF WITH HYDROPHORIA. Marriage in Stafford County-A Laborer's

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Feb. 1.-Specfal.-A mad dog scare existis in portions of Spotsylvania county. A number of dogs, sheep and cattle have been bitten by rabid dogs in the Goodwin neighbor-nood and a calf belonging to Mr. Hosie

Cave manifests unmistakable symptoms The competitive drill of the Washing-

tng the best exhibition of the manual of Miss Henrietta Snellings and Mr. Edward Snellings, both of Stafford county

were married yesterday, Rev. Decatur nock river. A railroad tie fell on him painfully hurting and probably fracturing his skull. He was rescued by hands who were assisting him in loading the barge

water was extremely cold and a piercing wind blowing. Last night was one of the severest of the winter and ice formed to the thick-ness of two inches.

A YOUNG GIRL LOST.

Foul Play Suspected_Norfolk Street Railway Elects Officers. NORPOLK, VA., Feb. L-Special,-Miss Nessie Mundane, a young girl who left Elizabeth City last Wednesday, for Norfolk, and reached here with her trunk, forthwith disappeared and has not been

heard from since.

to find a clue to her whereabouts, and fear foul play.

The Norfolk Street Railway Company met to-day and re-elected all the old offi-cers, of whom R. Lancaster Williams, of Richmond, is president.

TOOK STRYCHNINE. Killed Himself Because of an Unsuccess

fal Love Affair-NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Feb. 1.—Special.-Despondent over an unsuccessful love affair, Samuel Saunders, aged 29 years, a conductor on the Newport News, Hampton, and Old Point railway, ended his life this morning by taking ten grains of strychnine, at his boarding house, in

Saunders left a letter in which he be

He had \$3,000 in bank. MASON MURDER TRIAL.

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ABINGDON, VA., Feb. 1.—Special.—
Nothing was done in Mason's case to-day, owing to the iliness of Juror Joseph Smith, who, it is hoped, may be able to resume his duties to-morrow.

Colonel Abram Fulkerson was recently injured by failing in the night against a projecting bridge beam in Bristol. His condition has been serious for a week, but it is believed he has now passed the danger point.

OBITUARY.

Mr. C. C. Hopkins died at 2.50 o'clock yesterday morning at his residence, No. 9

Clay street, aged seventy-four years. He leaves a widow, Mr. Hopkins was a man of the finest character, and was highly es-

STORMONT, VA., Feb. 1.—Special.— Captain Robert Tyler Bland, who was re-

represented Middlesex and Mathews in

His remains will be buried at Bland

STAUNTON, VA., Feb. 1.—Special.—Ar, frew J. Butts diod at his tesidence. I he northern part of this city, this morning at 5 o'clock. Mr. Butts came to Staur

Rev. James M. Rawlings.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Feb. 1.—
Special.—The Rev. Jas M. Rawlings, D. D., a prominent Presbyterian minister, died suddenly at his home on High street, this afternoon. This morning he had been driving and at II o'clock left his horse and buggy at the livery stable and walked home. Arriving there be complained of not feeling well. His physician was summoned and applied remedies but all that could be done proved of no avail and he passed avay a few minutes after II o'clock.

Dr. Rawlings was born in Louisa county about iffry-three years ago, and is widely known as a minister. For ten years he was paster of the Second Presbyterian church. Lynchburg, was also chapiain to the University of Virginia with years, and held important charges in South Carolina, Georgia and North Carolina.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Feb. 1.—Special.—Edward Scribbling, aged 35 years, who came here recently from Richmond, and was employed at the ship-yard as a mechanic, was found dead in his room this morating. An inquest was not held, the coroner being of the opinion that Mr. Scribbling died during the night of heart failure.

ter and two sons. Mrs. Scribbling and sen arrived here this evening, from Richmond, to take charge of the remains. Mrs. Martha Whitfield.

and charitable deeds. DEATHS.

WINDER.—Died, on Tuesday at her late residence, corner Fourteenth and Por-ter streets, in Manchester, Va., Mrs. SARAH VIRGINIA WINDER, in the seventy-first year of her age. Funeral TO-MORROW (Thursday) MORNING, at II o'clock from the Pres-byterian church, corner Tenth and Por-ter streets, Manchester.

The Senate met without prayer.
Numerous petitions in favor of the
Maupin bill to tax social clubs for selling
liquor and in favor of the bill to require

victs, the net receipts from the peniten-tiary for the next four years shall conis to be paid for.
AMENDS ELECTION LAW. AMENDS ELECTION LAW.

Mr. Keezell offered a bill making one material change in the election law. It amends section 2 and 10 of the act approved March 4, 1895, by providing that there shall be three ballots for each precinct which shall not bear the seal of the electoral board, On the morning of the research.

moval or defacing of said ballots as long as the poils are open. Any person who shall unlawfully remove, deface or destroy any of said ballots as long as the poils are open shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of tea dollars and imprissioned for thirty days in the county jail.

This is the only change proposed.
Senator Wickham offered a bill amending the charter of the town of Ashland, and under a suspension of the rules it was passed.

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Mr. Mcliwaine accepted the amendments and both bills were passed.

THE TENTH CIRCUIT.

Quite an interesting debate occurred over the bill to abolish the Tenth Judicial Circuit and to add the countles embraced in the district to the Sixth, Ninth and Eleventh Circuits.

Mr. Opie opened the debate in opposition to the bill. He said he was as much in favor of economy as any one, but he was not willing to begin retrenchment on the Tenth Judicial Circuit, when the people of that district would be so greatly inconvenienced by being deprived of their judge.

WICKHAM'S VIEWS.

THORNS TO SIT UPON.

Many people gather thorns by failing to heed the warning sent out by diseased kidneys—coated tongue—parched skin—feverishness—dull dragging pains—genera, feeling of weariness—is sure evidence of kidney and bladder trouble. Take Utah Kidney Beans at once—they will cure you—they have cured thousands of others. THE TURNERS of Philadelphia. E. B. Samuels, County Clerk of Hickman County, Clinton, Ky., testines that he suffered for years with horrible pains in the back, kidneys and bladder—was treated by many physicians—they gave him no relief—he got so that he could hardly stand alone—Utah Kidney Beans, he says, completely cured him. He gladly recommends them to all sufferes.

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TURNERS' LITTLE LIVER TURNERS-

was reached.

Mr. Phicher, of Fauquier, gave in detail the history of the oyster legis'atlon since its inciplency and took the ground that the House had made a mistake in voting down the amendments offered by Mr.

Forty cents each for three prisoners and ess; twenty-five cents each for from hree to twenty prisoners; twenty cents each for from twenty to a hundred priners and fifteen cents each for over a

each over a hundred prisoners. He took the ground that the bill had merely been introduced, as it seemed, to operate against the jailer of the city of

came up as second special order and both bills will have to be perfected. House bill No. 245, the last one of the

BOARD OF APPRAISERS AND ASSESSORS.

in. fr. Saunders, of Franklin, the patron the bill, objected to the amendment, lich, he said, would to a large extent troy the object of his measure. The dment was lost. Pilcher offered as an amendment :

cribed by law. Mr. Saunders accepted he amendment, and it was agreed to by the House.

Mr. Pilcher also offered an amendment roviding that if the works and property of one company is leased to another, then the State shall look to the latteriest for the payment of the assessed axes, and not to the owner. Mr. Saunders also opposed this amendment, and he House refused to agree to it.

Mr. Pilcher next offered an amendment making the fine for violations of the provisions of the bill \$250 instead of \$100. These amendments were also set, and the bill was finally sent to its agrossment and third reading in the bape of a substitute, which makes some terical corrections in the original bill. Serate Bill No. 165, rovidine for the tablishing of a heard of fisheries, was been again reacted in the regular order and Mr. Cooke of Norfolk, offer das a mendment that the appropriation of 4600 provided for in the bill shall include the salaries of the members of the members at the card. This w s agreed to, and the bill was then cassed by a vote of \$8 to 6. The members who voted in the nearative for Miner and Mr. Cooke of the members of the card. This w s agreed to, and the bill was then cassed by a vote of \$8 to 6. The members who voted in the nearative for Miner and Mr. Cooke of the members of the card. This w s agreed to, and the bill was then cassed by a vote of \$8 to 6. The members who voted in the nearative for Miner and Mine

When the chair was resumed at 4 velock by Speaker Ryan, the House reed to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 185, establishing a board of fisheries, had been ordered to its encrossment and third reading and the bill was then passed by in the absence of Mr. Pilcher, of Fauquier.

The next bill taken up wes Senats bill No. 22, relating to the sale of delinquent lands. Mr. Hicks, of Roanoke, explained the purport of the bill.

Mr. Anderson, of this city, explained that the bill represented the consensus of opinion of the Committee on Courts of

BILLS PASSED.

The following bills were introduced and under rule 37 referred to the proper comunder rule if referred to the proper committees:

By Mr. Caldwell, of Craig: For the relief of Erastus M. Ferrel, a Confederate soldier of Craig county.

By Mr. Stubbs, of Gloucester: To allow the county court of Gloucester to correct erroneous assessment of the lands of Thomas Harwood and W. C. Harwood.

By Mr. Bauserman, of Shenandoah: To confirm and quiet the titles of Millon Taylor and others to certain land in the town of New Market.

By Mr. N. B. Early, Jr., of Greene and Madison: For the relief of George D. Armentrout, of Greene county.

By Mr. Williams: For the relief of Mary S. Chapman from erroneous assessment.

Mr. Joseph Stumpf leaves on Saturday

W. Va., last night for interment.

Bernett Schapiro, a package belonging o whom was gotten out of the Southern Express Company's office a few days ago by a persons who he claimed was not authorized to do so, is a merchant on ower Main street.

Platt.

A "Silver Social" will be given Thursday evening from S to 11 o'clock at No. \$14 east Clay street for the benefit of the Circle of Industry of Centenary church. There will be a fine musical programme and a number of recitations. Refreshments will be served.

Main and Eleventh Streets. mount out of the same of the s

Andrew J. Butts.

cess of it while he was in chargeas never been in any special businers
living here. He had means, and ind largely in the Augusta National,
owning one-tenth of its stock, He
also a large holder of the stock of
Staunton Perpetual Building and
Association, holding about sixty
s. Mr. Butts was a man of gental
tetr. but very peculiar, and had
few intimate friends,
wealth is estimated at from twene thousand to fifty thousand dolMr. Butts was paralyzed in Janu1822, from which he never recovered,
her stroke a few days ago termifatally. He was sixty-nine years
he 28th of December. His wife surhim. He leaves also a niece. Miss
Rich, who lives in Tacoma. Wash,
t nephew, Edward Buits, living in

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WELDON, N. C., Feb. I.—Special.—The death of Mrs. Martha Whitfield, of Enfield, is announced. She was the widow of the late Rev. J. G. Whitfield, who was formerly of Suffolk, and one of the best known preachers in the Methodist Protestant church. She was about seventy-three years old and was a lady of fine Christian character, noted for her piety and charitable deeds.